

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims, as follows:

Claim 1-2 (canceled).

Claim 3 (currently amended): A device for cleaning an applicator of liquid or pasty cosmetic products, consisting of:

a substantially cylindrical body (1) having an axial hole (4) extending longitudinally through the center of the body (1), a terminal section (3), a device wall (9), a null thickness edge (8), and an outer surface;

the outer surface of the body being adapted for mating with the neck of a container;

the terminal section (3) comprising a substantially truncated conical layout, wherein the outer wall (7) of the terminal section forms an angle with respect to a device axis (AA) of between about 30° and 60°; and

the terminal section (3) tapers off until the outer wall (7) and the device wall (9) converge at the null thickness edge (8) ~~Device for the cleaning of applicators of liquid or pasty cosmetic products according to claim 2, characterized in that the outer wall (7) of the said truncated conical terminal section (3) forms, with the device axis, an angle comprised between 30° and 60°.~~

Claim 4 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 3, characterized in that wherein the [[said]]outer wall (7) of said truncated conical terminal section (3) forms, with the device axis, an angle with respect to the device axis (AA) of about 45°.

Claim 5 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 3, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the terminal section (3) ~~of the said truncated conical portion (3) shows the~~ comprises an inner wall (11) formed at a slight ~~lightly~~ incline with respect to the device axis (AA).

Claim 6 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the ~~inclination~~ incline of the inner wall (11) ~~of the said truncated conical terminal section forms an angle~~ with respect to the device axis (AA) ~~is comprised of~~ between about 2° and 8° .

Claim 7 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 6, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the ~~inclination~~ incline of the inner wall (11) ~~of the said truncated conical terminal section forms an angle~~ with respect to the device axis (AA) ~~[[is]]of~~ about 5° .

Claim 8 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 3, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the device inner wall (9) of the device shows, is formed at a slight incline with respect to the device axis (AA), a light inclination, and wherein the incline of the device wall (9) forms an angle with respect to the device axis (AA) of ~~comprised~~ between about 1° and 6° .

Claim 9 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the incline of the device inner wall (9) of the device shows, forms an angle

with respect the device axis (AA) of, ~~an inclination of~~ about 3°.

Claim 10 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 3, ~~characterized in that wherein the intermediate part of the inner~~ the lower portion (10) of the device wall ~~[[(10)]] (9) of the device, shows, is formed at an incline with respect the device axis (AA) of,~~ an inclination comprised between about 15° and 25°.

Claim 11 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 10, ~~characterized in that wherein the intermediate part of the inner~~ the lower portion (10) of the device wall ~~[[(10)]] (9), shows, is formed at an incline with respect the device axis (AA), an inclination of about 20°.~~

Claim 12 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 3, ~~4~~ characterized in that in correspondence with an end, it provides for further comprising an annular edge ~~(2) on one end, adapted apt to rest on the bottle-neck of the container.~~

Claim 13 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 3 ~~[[1]], characterized in that wherein the diameter of the [[said]]axial hole (4) shows, in correspondence with the end of the said truncated conical section, a diameter not higher than at the null thickness edge (8) is equal to or less than the diameter of the stem of the applicator pin.~~

Claim 14 (currently amended): ~~Device~~ A device according to claim 13, ~~characterized in that it is~~ wherein the device is made of polyethylene or flexible plastic material.

Claim 15: (currently amended): ~~A scraping~~ Scraping-sealing device for ~~[[the~~
~~]]cleaning [[of]]~~ stems and bristles of applicators of liquid or pasty cosmetic products,
~~characterized in that it provides for~~ comprising:

a substantially cylindrical body (1) ~~formed of flexible material, crossed by~~ having an
axial hole (4) extending longitudinally through the center of the body, an outer surface, a
device wall (9) and a terminal section (3);[.]]

the outer surface of the body being adapted for mating with ~~to be applied to the neck~~
~~of a container[.]]~~;

~~the said body (1) showing a~~ terminal section (3) having a substantially truncated
conical layout;

~~the outer wall (7) of the said terminal section (3) that reaches the applicator forming,~~
~~with the~~ forms an angle with respect to a device axis (AA) of less than; an angle different
from 90 degrees; and

terminal section tapers off until the device wall (9) and the outer wall (7) converge
at the ~~that, in this terminal section (3), tapers until to reach a null thickness in~~
~~correspondence with the edge (8);~~

wherein the terminal section (3) comprises an inner wall (11) formed at an incline
with respect to the device axis (AA); and

wherein the incline of the inner wall (11) forms an angle with respect to the device
axis (AA) of between about 2° and 8°.

Claim 16 (currently amended): ~~A container~~ Container for cosmetic products

~~characterized in that it comprises~~ comprising a device for the cleaning of the applicator according to claim [[1]]3.

Claim 17 (new): A container for cosmetic products comprising a device according to claim 15.

Claim 18 (new): A device for cleaning an applicator of liquid or pasty cosmetic products, consisting of:

a substantially cylindrical body (1) having an axial hole (4) extending longitudinally through the center of the body (1), a terminal section (3), a device wall (9), an annular edge (2) disposed on the upper portion of the body, a null thickness edge (8) disposed on the lower portion of the body, and an outer surface;

the outer surface of the body being adapted for mating with the neck of a container;

the annular edge (2) being adapted to rest on the neck of the container;

the terminal section (3), comprising:

a substantially truncated conical layout; wherein the outer wall (7) of the terminal section forms an angle with respect to a device axis (AA) of between about 30° and 60°; wherein the terminal section (3) tapers off until the outer wall (7) and the device wall (9) converge at the null thickness edge (8);

an inner wall (11) formed at an incline with respect to the device axis (AA), wherein the incline of the inner wall (11) forms an angle with respect to the device axis (AA) of between about 2° and 8°;

wherein the lower portion (10) of the device wall (9) is formed at an incline with respect the device axis (AA) of between about 15° and 25°;

wherein the diameter of the axial hole (4) at the null thickness edge (8) is equal to or less than the diameter of the stem of the applicator.